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News From Jeff.

It is believed that an amendment on woman suffrage will be submitted to the voters at the 1916 election. The Senate committee has reported the amendment favorably and the House will do the same, judging by the talk.

The old Confederate soldier will be pensioned, but a new list of those who are to get pensions will be made out. Only those unable to make a living will get on this list, and the provision relating thereto is quite stringent. No able bodied Confederate can possibly draw a pension under the new law introduced unless by deception. The requirements are most exacting. Nor will those already getting pensions receive back pay, the deficiency under the 1913 law being \$186,000.

Two things are certain—the two-cent passenger and maximum freight rate laws now in force will not be repealed this session. The railroads overplayed their hand when they prepared the three kinds of petitions circulated in every county in the state asking signers, pleading the roads were losing money. The legislature demands a reduction of the big salaries paid railroad officials and the "squeezing" of the water out of railroad stocks.

The bill to put the eleemosynary institutions of Missouri under the control of bi-partisan boards was properly killed by refusing its engrossment.

March 3 at 2 o'clock, what is known as the "Rural Credit Bill" will be disposed of. This is said to be the most beneficial measure introduced this session. The purpose of the bill is to provide the means and instrumentalities whereby state loans may be made to tillers of the soil at the least practicable cost. The state's money is to be loaned by what is termed a bank commission, the governor to be the head thereof.

As almost every kind of bill imaginable has been introduced, in order to complete the record, some legislator should introduce a bill prohibiting lying. A bill of this character is especially needed at election time, now should it apply to any particular class, but include the high, rich, low and poor.

A bill allowing pay for stock killed to prevent the spread of infectious disease was engrossed. This measure allows \$40 for an unregistered animal and \$200 for blooded animals.

The first "wet and dry" battle was fought February 24, and the "drys" had a walk-away. The bill up was that to close all saloons of the state from 11 o'clock at night till six o'clock in the morning. The vote was 88 dry and 47 wet, with seven absent, five of them dry. The drys have the votes to enact any law they want and if they don't get it the drys will be to blame. The "public peace, health and safety" clause, as provided by the state constitution prohibits a referendum vote being submitted thereon. So on final passage all dry measures will go into effect ninety days after the adjournment of the legislature, or about the middle of June. From the drastic bills offered and sure of passage, it looks as though Lexington's wet block will be wiped out under the 300 foot law preventing the running of a saloon within 300 feet of a church.

The insurance bill applicable to fire, lightning, hail or windstorm

has been engrossed. The vote was 95 to 30, which means it will become a law. Mutual companies do not come under this bill, but is excluded. The bill provides that all fire insurance companies shall maintain a public rating record; that if contention is made that the rates are too high there may be an investigation conducted by the state insurance commissioner, covering a period of the preceding five years, and if the contention is sustained, the commissioner shall have the power to order a reduction. Another provision is that there shall be no rebate to the companies, or any other departure from the published rate.

In the discussion on the abolishing the office of deputy game warden, a member in discussing the matter dubbed the deputy game warden as "five cent dudes." A gentleman standing nearby corrected the first speaker, saying "he was a 5-cent dude, but he has held the position so long he has gone to seed."

The bill requiring the publication of proposed ordinances was properly refused engrossment. This is one of the five bills backed by the state press association. The other four will meet the same fate when they come before the House.

Many persons ignorantly complain that the legislature is doing nothing and should adjourn. It is also true that some of the big city dailies of the state also take pleasure in making the same complaint, when as a matter of fact they know their charge is false. This session over 1,600 bills have been introduced. Each of these bills have to be referred to a committee and there considered as to its merits or demerits. Then each bill is reported out of the committee, and threshed out for engrossment and final passage and this takes much time. When a bill passes the House it goes to the Senate and goes through the same procedure. Nearly all of the 1,600 bills have been reported out by committees either favorably or unfavorably. These papers have their reporters here on the floor and know what is being done every day. They know the vast amount of work that has been done in committees, yet for some purpose, no one knows what, they persist in telling the people over the state the Legislature is doing nothing. An unusually large number of important measures have been introduced this session. The banking bill is as big for the Legislature to handle as the regional bank bill was for Congress. To properly consider this bill alone would take weeks of time. Some of the other big and important measures before this session are: Workmen's Compensation bill, Insurance, Fire Rating, Minimum Wage bill, Civil Code Reform bill, Railroad Rate bill, Convict Labor Bill and many other equally as important bills. Each of these bills is entitled to days of consideration. Counting out Sundays and holidays the legislature has less than sixty days to work, when it should have six months in which to do the work it has before it.

The measure of continuing the convict labor contracts at the penitentiary was up for disposal February 25. As usual the republicans played politics, having in caucus agreed to oppose the bill providing for hiring out the

penitentiary convicts. The democrat favor the present contract system, the price per day for each convict being 75 cents. The matter will be disposed of March 3. At this time under the contract system the penitentiary is practically self-sustaining, thus saving the taxpayers at least half a million dollars annually. If the republicans have their way and do away with the contract system, there will be 2,600 idle convicts in the penitentiary, and the money for their maintenance must come out of the pockets of the tax-payers of the state. That's all there is to this question, and resolves itself to this proposition: Those opposed to increasing taxes will favor a continuation of the present contract system, and those wanting higher taxes will favor the abolishing of the present contract system, and let the tax-payers pay out their money in taxes to feed 2,600 convicts in their idleness. It's a common-sense business proposition and the republicans have injected petty politics into the matter without justification.

There will be no "Jim Crow" legislation this session. The bill providing for "Jim Crow" cars on railroads was killed by the Senate committee.

A new game law bill has been ordered engrossed, but its becoming a law is doubtful. The quail season under this bill is lengthened 20 days, the open season being from Nov. 10 to December 31.

The Dameron dry bill prohibiting the shipment of liquor into dry territory was sent to engrossment February 26, after a stormy effort on the part of the wets. Every conceivable move was made to block engrossment. Amendment after amendment was offered and continuous motions to adjourn were made, but the drys killed them all when a vote was taken. The bill went to engrossment by the vote of 92 to 29. This will be the vote on all dry measures. There may be a little delay when these bills reach the Senate, but as the drys control that branch, these bills will pass that body by the vote of 19 to 15.

PROTECT STUDENT HEALTH BY FREE MEDICAL SERVICE

All M. U. Freshmen Are Given Thorough Physical Examination Upon Entrance.

That there will come a time when students will have to pass a rigid physical examination for entrance into colleges and universities is the belief of Dr. Guy L. Noyes, acting dean of the faculty of the School of Medicine, University of Missouri.

Already at the University of Missouri every freshman must undergo a physical examination to determine his or her fitness to carry the University work. There is, however, no definite standard for entrance set.

"It will take a good many years to establish a standard," said Dr. Noyes, "but a standard is just as important as the mental test, which is shown by the records of the students in preparatory schools. We find that many students are not capable of carrying the full amount of University work; that many are not physically fit for places on athletic teams, and even some that should study but very little."

Dr. Noyes says that students from the country schools are more in need of the physical examination than those from the larger cities. This is because the physical training work in the city schools is better organized.

The consultation service for students at the University of Missouri is free, while sick students are given all their needs without charge while at the University hospital. However, a small nominal fee is charged for surgical operations. Since Sept-

County Court Proceedings.

The county court met in regular monthly session Monday morning, Presiding Judge Wright, Judges Vogt and Wade and all officers of the court present. The following business has been transacted:

Upon statement of Judge Vogt a temporary bridge was ordered built over the new Davis creek ditch, at a cost not to exceed \$50.

Court ordered County Clerk Geo. W. Bates to request the state auditor to draw his warrant for the amount of county school superintendent's salary now due Lafayette county. Also \$600 for the teachers' training course in Lexington and Higginsville schools.

William A. Zeysing was appointed commissioner of Waverly Special Road district from February 1, 1915. L. W. Corder was appointed to this position in February, but was unable to accept the place, and Mr. Zeysing was selected to fill the vacancy.

The bond of A. C. Skidmore, road overseer of district No. 27, was appointed by the court.

Abatements were allowed in the following cases.

P. J. Shultz, interest on personal taxes; Matilda Barchers, personal; George Miller, reduced \$75; M. O. Squires, personal.

Court ordered a warrant for \$15 out of poor house fund be drawn in favor of Phillip Hogan in payment of part transportation of Pat Kemper to the Sisters' home at Mobile, Alabama.

Bond of Hugh Rogers as county highway engineer was filed, discussed and approved.

James Gauntier presented a wolf scalp and a bounty of \$3 was ordered paid.

Ike H. Noyes, county treasurer, presented settlement, which was examined and approved.

The following jury was drawn for the April term of the Criminal court:

Clay township—J. G. Jennings, W. H. Brewer, Ernest Williamson.

Davis township—Frank Brown, F. Knipmeyer, Joseph Layne.

Dover township—Joseph Cook, Dan Jackson, John Hodges.

Freedom township—J. H. Wiggers, C. S. Parker, Theo. Bartman.

Lexington township—Edward F. Meyer, John Dyer, Claud Neer.

Middleton township—John Miller, Otto Horstman, William Wolf.

Sni-a-bar township—J. A. Jackson, M. A. Gossett, George Wakeman.

Washington Township—Jesse Finch, J. L. Paris, Sherman Kineman.

Card of Thanks.

We sincerely thank our neighbors and friends and the teachers of the Public Schools for the kindness and sympathy shown us during the serious illness and death of our beloved son, Raymond Neal.

MR. & MRS. THOS. NEAL.

Fred Minch went to Kansas City yesterday to spend the day.

September 15, there have been 4873 calls at the Parker Memorial Hospital for consultation or examination. This does not include more than 1,000 physical examinations of freshmen, nor the vaccination of 2,000 students.

Dr. Noyes urges all sick students to come to the hospital for treatment. He believes that there is much danger in sick students remaining in their rooms or about the campus, for other students are thus exposed.

Through the examinations and consultations given at the hospital, the students are assured of expert advice. Without this service given free by the University, many students, not knowing the reputable doctors of Columbia, probably would be consulting "quacks."

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PERSONALS

N. W. Potter went to Waverly yesterday to spend the day.

Mrs. J. A. Hix of Chariton, Iowa, arrived Wednesday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Chas. Wallace.

Mrs. Rees Purpin of Kansas City, spent Tuesday with her uncle, Judge Richard Field.

Mrs. L. W. Marshall and Miss Lucy Marshall went to Kansas City Wednesday for a few days' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nance moved Tuesday to a farm near Dover.

C. A. Keith went to Kansas City Wednesday to spend the day on legal business.

B. R. Young went to Kansas City Tuesday evening on business. He was accompanied by his little son, Clayton.

Miss Marian Clark of La Monte, Missouri, is spending the week with her sister, Miss Helen, at Central College.

Judge Thomas A. Walker went to Concordia yesterday morning to spend the day on business.

Dr. C. T. Ryland went to Kansas City Wednesday to spend the day on professional business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Reid Ryland returned Tuesday evening to their home in Kansas City after a few days' visit here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ristine went to Kansas City Tuesday to spend the day.

Mrs. B. T. Payne went to Kansas City Tuesday to spend the day.

The body of Raymond Neal was taken to Slater Tuesday morning for burial. The remains were accompanied by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Neal.

B. L. Hart of Kansas City spent Monday night here with his sister, Mrs. N. E. Baskett.

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